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1903(i)(14)  
of the Act

4.19(1) The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of section 1903(i)(14) of the Act with respect to payment for physician services furnished to children under 21 and pregnant women. Payment for physician services furnished by a physician to a child or a pregnant woman is made only to physicians who meet one of the requirements listed under this section of the Act.

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4.19 (m) Medicaid Reimbursement for Administration of Vaccines under the Pediatric Immunization Program

1928(c)(2)  
(C)(ii) of  
the Act

(i) A provider may impose a charge for the administration of a qualified pediatric vaccine as stated in 1928(c)(2)(C)(ii) of the Act. Within this overall provision, Medicaid reimbursement to providers will be administered as follows.

(ii) The State:

— sets a payment rate at the level of the regional maximum established by the DHHS Secretary.

— is a Universal Purchase State and sets a payment rate at the level of the regional maximum established in accordance with State law.

X sets a payment rate below the level of the regional maximum established by the DHHS Secretary.

— is a Universal Purchase State and sets a payment rate below the level of the regional maximum established by the Universal Purchase State.

The State pays the following rate for the administration of a vaccine: \$9.50 per injection. Injection means actual injection or an oral feeding.

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1926 of (iii) Medicaid beneficiary access to immunizations is  
the Act assured through the following methodology:

- (A) Obtain periodic, ongoing updates of the current status of provider enrollments in the VFC program from the Montana Department of Health and Environmental Sciences, Immunization Program (DHES). This is the state agency in Montana with the overall responsibility for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of Section 1928 of the Act. Medicaid will also, on an ongoing basis, encourage providers to enroll in the VFC program.
- (B) DHES has enrolled ninety-six (96) public providers in the VFC program. This number includes all of Montana's county health departments, all Indian Health facilities and all federally qualified health centers (FQHCs).
- (C) Distributed over 15,000 copies of the CDC announcement to all county welfare offices (56), community action agencies (10) and Native American reservations (7). The announcement has been modified to include a local phone number as an additional information source. The number of copies is equal to the number of eligible individuals in Montana's AFDC program.

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- (D) Set the reimbursement rate for the administration of vaccines in concurrence with the Montana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Medicaid Advisory Council. The Council membership consists of consumers, providers, and state government personnel.
- (E) Distributed a provider bulletin to all Medicaid providers who are potential enrollers of the VFC program. These include physicians, mid-level practitioners, clinics and schools enrolled in the Medicaid program. The bulletin describes the VFC program, rate of reimbursement and method for billing Medicaid.
- (F) Announced a cutoff date of April 1, 1995 to stop reimbursement for any vaccines available free through the VFC program.

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